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MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION ON TRANSPORTATION IN SATELLITES

BUILD NEW RAIL LINE -- Vienna, Das Kleine Volksblatt, 14 Apr 53

A 350-kilometer through rail line for troops and supplies, which makes no physical contact with any other line, is reportedly being built from Halle to Rostock. Soviet engineers are supporting this construction project.

OPEN NEW RAIL LINE -- Berlin, Pokumentation der Zeit, 15 Jan 53

The newly constructed 5-kilometer rail line from Vacha (Rhoen) to Unterbreizbach was ceremoniously opened to traffic on 12 December 1952, by the Minister of Transportation, Dr Reingruber. The line, which crosses some very difficult terrain, was built in 90 days.

OPERATE NEW S-BAHN CONNECTION -- Borlin, Taegliche Rundschau, 25 Dec 52

As of 25 December 1952, a new S-Bahn connection will operate every 40 minutes on the following route: Blankenburg, Pankow-Heinersdorf, Pankow-Schoenhausen, Schoenhauser Allee, Ostkreuz, Ostbahnhof (Stadtbahn), and Westkreuz, and return. The trains that were operating between Ostbahnhof and Gesundbrunnen have been canceled.

OPEN RAILROAD BRIDGE -- Berlin, Taegliche Rundschau, 9 Dec 52

On 8 December 1952, after 14 months of construction, the railroad bridge which spans the Oder River in Frankfurt/Oder was opened to traffic, by President Barth, of the Reichsbahn Directorate Berlin.

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CRITICIZE FREIGHT CAR SITUATION -- Berlin, Taegliche Rundschau, 18 Jan 53

Approximately 1,500 to 2,000 freight cars remain idle within the Reichsbahn Directorate Erfurt. This announcement was made by the President of Reichsbahn Directorate Erfurt, Fischer, at a conference with representatives of the shipping industry.

COMPLETE CENTRALIZED TRAFFIC CONTROL UNITS -- Berlin, Taegliche Rundschau, 22 Apr 53

A centralized traffic control tower with two centralized traffic control panels was put in operation on 19 April 1953 in the Dresden Hauptbahnhof (Main Station). This completes the reconstruction of signal installations at the Dresden Hauptbahnhof, and is the first step toward complete automatic control of the Berlin-Dresden-Schoena line.

COMPLETE FREIGHTER -- Berlin, Taegliche Rundschau, 13 Mar 53

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The fourth 3,000-ton freighter has been completed at the People-Owned Weptun Shipyard in Rostock. The vessel was launched on 12 March 1953.

ESTABLISH RAILROAD INSTITUTE -- Berlin, Der Verkehr, Feb 53

A railroad institute has been established in rague, Czechoslovakia. It cooperates closely with similar Soviet institutes. It is to further railroad knowledge and technology through the application of the most modern and progressive methods.

BULGARIAN FREIGHT TRAFFIC INCREASED -- Sofia, Vecherni Novini, 23 Mar 53

Since the beginning of 1953, 3,192 above-norm trains have carried 863,798 above-norm tons of freight. In the same period in 1952 there were 2,446 above-norm trains, which carried 646,857 tons of freight above the norm. To date, a total of 1,023 freight trains have been dispatched from Plovdiv alone.

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